THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Presumably, the Hon'ble Member's intention is to know the number of CRPF jawans who killed themselves after shooting down their superiors and colleagues. The information is as under:

1997	—	—
1998	—	02
1999	—	01
2000	—	02
2001	—	—

(b) Strain/stress due to deployment for prolonged periods in militancy/terrorist affected areas, long and strenuous working hours, their remaining away from their families and not being able to attend to their family problems/ personal reasons are some of the reasons for such incidents.

(c) The troops are encouraged to go on annual leave, participate in group activities, games, entertainment programmes, social interaction etc. Basic requirement for such activities have been provided to the extent possible. Sainik sammelans and counseling are regularly held to solve the problems of the personnel and welfare of the families of Jawans is attended to promptly.

Implementation of the recommendation of Dharma Vira Commission on police reforms

353. DR. MANMOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have implemented the recommendations of Dharma Vira Commission on police reforms;

(b) whether Government have drawn up a plan to further modernise our police forces so as to deal with disaster management, terrorist threats of bio-chemical warfare, white collar crimes particularly those relating to financing of terrorist activities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) The reports of National Police Commission (Dharma Vira

Commission) were considered by the State Governments/UT Administrations and action has been taken to implement many of the recommendations considered appropriate by them. Subsequently, on the direction of the Supreme Court of India, the Central Government constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri J.F. Ribeiro to review the action on the recommendations of National Police Commission, Law Commission, Vohra Committee etc. The reports of this Committee have been filed in the Supreme Court as per its directions.

(b) and (c) Modernisation of Police is a continuous process. The Central Government have been giving financial assistance and stressing upon the State Governments for modernisation of police forces constantly to meet the new challenges. The recommendations of the Padmanabhaiah Committee which *inter-alia* include various suggestions/measures on modernisation of police force have been sent to the State Governments/UT Administration for necessary follow-up action.

Increase in insurgency activities across the Border

354. SHRI CHO. S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that insurgency activity is gradually increasing across the border;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to crush these activities; and

(c) what is the total loss of Security Forces and the civilians and the loss of property in these operations during this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) There are reports about North East militant outfits using the territory of our neighbouring countries for providing shelter and training to their cadres. The insurgency in Kashmir valley is sustained on the active support from across the border.

Diplomatic steps have been/are being taken by the Government of India with the Governments of neighbouring countries in this